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## UNITED STATES.

### THE STEAMSHIP NIPPON MARU AT ANGEL ISLAND QUARANTINE.

As stated in PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS No. 27, July 7, page 1066, the Japanese steamship *Nippon Maru* had 2 deaths from plague on the voyage from Hongkong before reaching Honolulu, 1 May 26 and 1 June 14. She left Honolulu June 20 for San Francisco and reached that port June 27. Two days after leaving Honolulu a case suspicious of plague occurred, and died two days before reaching San Francisco, and was buried at sea, but on arrival all were well. She was detained at Angel Island Quarantine, the passengers landed, and the vessel disinfected and released June 29 under a new crew. All passengers were detained at quarantine for fifteen days' observation. June 28, 2 Japanese stowaways, in attempting to evade the immigration laws and the customs patrol which had been established around the vessel, jumped overboard and were drowned, but their bodies were recovered. These men were perfectly healthy. July 6, the owners of the *Nippon Maru* requested permission to put the old crew aboard at quarantine and at once proceed to Japan, and the permission was granted. All passengers detained at quarantine have remained well to the present, and the medical officer in command reported that they would be discharged on July 11 and 12.

[Reports to the Supervising Surgeon-General United States Marine-Hospital Service.]

### REPORTS FROM THE MEXICAN BORDER.

*El Paso, Tex.*—Sanitary Inspector E. Alexander reports that during the week ended July 1, 1899, no passengers arrived on the Mexican Central from Tampico and Vera Cruz, Mexico.